In the Matter of:

**Rrok Martin Camaj** 

Inmate Number: 57521-039

FCI Morgantown

Federal Correctional Institution

**Bureau of Industry And Security** 

P.O. Box 1000

Morgantown, WV 26507

## **Order Denying Export Privileges**

On February 28, 2020 in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, Rrok Martin Camaj ("Camaj") was convicted of violating Section 38 of the Arms Export Control Act, 22 U.S.C. 2778 ("AECA"). Specifically, Camaj was convicted of knowingly and willfully exporting and causing to be exported from the United States to Australia, that is pistol frames/receivers, magazines, pistols kits, and other firearm parts, which were defense articles on the United States Munitions List, without having first obtained from the United States Department of State, a license or other written approval for such export. Camaj was sentenced to 42 months in prison, three-years of supervised released, a \$100 special assessment.

Pursuant to Section 1760(e) of the Export Control Reform Act ("ECRA"),<sup>1</sup> the export privileges of any person who has been convicted of certain offenses, including, but not limited to, section 38 of the AECA, may be denied for a period of up to ten (10) years from the date of his/her conviction. 50 U.S.C. 4819(e) (Prior Convictions). In addition, any Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) licenses or other authorizations issued under

dates ECRA's enactment on August 13, 2018.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ECRA was enacted as part of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019, and as amended is codified at 50 U.S.C. 4801-4852. Camaj's conviction post-

ECRA, in which the person had an interest at the time of the conviction, may be revoked. *Id.* 

BIS received notice of Camaj's conviction for violating Section 38 of the AECA, and has provided notice and opportunity for Camaj to make a written submission to BIS, as provided in Section 766.25 of the Export Administration Regulations ("EAR" or the "Regulations"). 15 CFR 766.25.<sup>2</sup> BIS has not received a written submission from Camaj.

Based upon my review of the record and consultations with BIS's Office of Exporter Services, including its Director, and the facts available to BIS, I have decided to deny Camaj's export privileges under the Regulations for a period of 10 years from the date of Camaj's conviction. The Office of Exporter Services has also decided to revoke any BIS-issued licenses in which Camaj had an interest at the time of his conviction.<sup>3</sup>

Accordingly, it is hereby **ORDERED**:

First, from the date of this Order until February 28, 2030, Rrok Martin Camaj, with a last known address of Inmate Number: 57521-039, FCI Morgantown, P.O. Box 1000, Morgantown, WV 26507, and when acting for or on his behalf, his successors, assigns, employees, agents or representatives ("the Denied Person"), may not directly or indirectly participate in any way in any transaction involving any commodity, software or technology (hereinafter collectively referred to as "item") exported or to be exported from the United States that is subject to the Regulations, including, but not limited to:

A. Applying for, obtaining, or using any license, license exception, or export control document;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Regulations are currently codified in the Code of Federal Regulations at 15 CFR parts 730-774 (2021).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Director, Office of Export Enforcement, is now the authorizing official for issuance of denial orders, pursuant to recent amendments to the Regulations (85 *FR* 73411, November 18, 2020).

- B. Carrying on negotiations concerning, or ordering, buying, receiving, using, selling, delivering, storing, disposing of, forwarding, transporting, financing, or otherwise servicing in any way, any transaction involving any item exported or to be exported from the United States that is subject to the Regulations, or engaging in any other activity subject to the Regulations; or
- C. Benefitting in any way from any transaction involving any item exported or to be exported from the United States that is subject to the Regulations, or from any other activity subject to the Regulations.

**Second**, no person may, directly or indirectly, do any of the following:

- A. Export or reexport to or on behalf of the Denied Person any item subject to the Regulations;
- B. Take any action that facilitates the acquisition or attempted acquisition by the Denied Person of the ownership, possession, or control of any item subject to the Regulations that has been or will be exported from the United States, including financing or other support activities related to a transaction whereby the Denied Person acquires or attempts to acquire such ownership, possession or control;
- Take any action to acquire from or to facilitate the acquisition or attempted acquisition from the Denied Person of any item subject to the Regulations that has been exported from the United States;
- D. Obtain from the Denied Person in the United States any item subject to the Regulations with knowledge or reason to know that the item will be, or is intended to be, exported from the United States; or
- E. Engage in any transaction to service any item subject to the Regulations that has been or will be exported from the United States and which is

owned, possessed or controlled by the Denied Person, or service any item,

of whatever origin, that is owned, possessed or controlled by the Denied

Person if such service involves the use of any item subject to the

Regulations that has been or will be exported from the United States. For

purposes of this paragraph, servicing means installation, maintenance,

repair, modification or testing.

**Third**, pursuant to Section 1760(e) of the Export Control Reform Act (50 U.S.C.

4819(e)) and sections 766.23 and 766.25 of the Regulations, any other person, firm,

corporation, or business organization related to Camaj by ownership, control, position

of responsibility, affiliation, or other connection in the conduct of trade or business may

also be made subject to the provisions of this Order in order to prevent evasion of this

Order.

**Fourth**, in accordance with part 756 of the Regulations, Camaj may file an appeal of this

Order with the Under Secretary of Commerce for Industry and Security. The appeal must

be filed within 45 days from the date of this Order and must comply with the provisions

of part 756 of the Regulations.

**Fifth**, a copy of this Order shall be delivered to Camaj and shall be published in the

Federal Register.

Sixth, this Order is effective immediately and shall remain in effect until February 28,

2030.

John Sonderman.

Director,

Office of Export Enforcement.